In anti-militant operations the modus operandi of the militants of merging with the local population and resorting to sneak raids against isolated movement, results in the militants taking advantage of the local conditions to inflict casualties on security forces. Under these extreme conditions of provocation, the Army does not use its heavy weapons as it would cause collateral damage to innocent life and property. This exchange of fire sometimes results in casualties to security forces. In addition the mercenaries are also being equipped with sophisticated remote control improvised explosive devices, which they use along roads and tracks where Army movement is anticipated, While the Army in most cases manages to spot and disarm such devices, there have been cases where these devices when surreptitiously activated have caused casualties.

Bomb Blast in Uttar Pradesh Roadways Bus

1645. SHRI TARA CHARAN MAJUMDAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an incident of bomb blast in a Roorkee-bound UP Roadways bus at Modinagar was reported in April, 1996;

(b) if so, the number of persons injured and killed;

(c) whether identity of all killed has been established so far;

(d) if so, details thereof and the amount paid to next kin of killed and injured by different agencies;

(e) whether some militant organisations of J&K has claimed responsibility for such bomb explosion;

(f) if so, any action taken thereon;

(g) the steps Government propose to ensure that these incidents are not repeated in future; and

(h) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS: (SHRI MD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. According to information available, 16 persons were killed and 36 injured in this incident.

(c) and (d) Yes, sir, A list showing the name and address of those killed is annexed (see below). The State Govt. have announced to pay compensation @ Rs. 1 Lakh each to the next of kin of those who died and @ Rs. 10,000/- each to those injured in the explosion.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.

(g) and (h) The State Governments are alerted from time to time regarding activites of terrorist elements, their movements and likely targets in various states with a view to enable them to take appropriate measures to prevent recurrence of such incidents.

Statement

S. No.	Name of the person killed	Address
1.	Smt. Guddi, W/o Shri Rama	550, Indra Colony Muzaffarnagar.
2.	Phool Singh, S/o Shri Bram Singh	R/o Nek, Police Station, Jani, Meerut District.
3.	Shri Kanhaiya Lal, S/o Shri Gopi Ram	R/O Handiya Lalkurti, Police Station Lalkurti, District Meerut.

S. No.	Name of the person killed	Address
4.	Shri Samar Abbas, S/o Akbar Abbas	R/o Village Bhattora, PS Sibeda, Distt. Muzaffarnagar.
5.	Shri Brij Mohan Kaka S/o Anand Prasad Kala.	R/o Vijaypur Khurd, Dalanwala PS Dalanwala, Dist, Dehra Dun.
6.	Mohinder Singh Chauhan S/o Shri Hari Singh Chauhan	R/o Baghpet, Dist. Meerut,
7.	Shri Veeru, S/o Rama	R/o Indra Colony, PS Civil Lines, Dist, Muzaffarnagar.
8.	Shri Vijay, S/o Jagdish	R/o Indra Colony Barf Khana, PS Civil Lines, Dist, Muzaffarnagar.
9.	Shri Latiff, S/o Ashiq Ali	R/o Manglor, PS Manglor Dist. Haridwar.
10.	Shri Mange Ram S/o Shri Om Prakash	R/o Luhargarh, PS Shakarpur, Dist. Meerut.
11.	Smt. Parvati, W/o Shri Babu Ram.	R/o Indra Colony, PS Civil Lines, Dist. Muzaffarnagar.
12.	Shri Rzwan, S/o Furkhan	Mohalla Kanungoyan, West Chastawal, Distt. Muzaffarnagar.
13.	Shri Subodh Sharma, S/o Brahmanand Sharma	R/ Indra Colony, PS Brahmpuri Distt. Meerut.
14.	Shri Rehman Shah, S/o Shri Abdul Shah	R/o Village Kulanjan, PS Sardhana, Meerut.
15.	Shri Rafiq, S/o Nishar Ahmed	R/o Bahedi, PS Kotwali, Distt. Muzaffarnagar.
16.	Shri Dilshad, S/o Faiyaz	R/o Ambeta Sheikh, PS Devband, Saharanpur.

Implementation of Rajiv-Longowal Accord

1646. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister during his recent visit to Punjab announced an early implementation of Rajiv-Longowal Accord which is pending since long;

(b) whether Government propose to implement the same in a phased/time bound manner; and

(c) if so, the details of the plan of action, chalked out for implementing the accord.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS: (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Government of India is fully committed to implement the Rajiv-Longowal Accord and to strive for a comprehensive settlement of all outstanding issues. Sincere efforts are continuing to find common acceptable solution to the outstanding issues relating to Territorial Claims and Sharing of River waters in consultation with the concerned State Governments.